IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

WRIT PETITION NO. 509 of 2007

Shri Shantikumar L. Kolvekar,
resident of F-S-3A, Adwalparkar
Homes, Taleigao, through his
Power of Attorney Shri Pritesh
Dattaram Anvekar, resident of
House No.259E, Cardozo Bhat,
Taleigao-Goa. ... Petitioner

versus

The Chief Electrical Engineer,
Government of Goa,
Electricity Department,
Vidyut Bhavan, Panaji-Goa. ... Respondent

Mr. D. Pangam, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. S. R. Rivonkar, Advocate for the Respondent.

CORAM : F. I. REBELLO &
N. A. BRITTO, JJ.

DATE : 23RD NOVEMBER, 2007.

ORAL JUDGMENT(Per F. I. REBELLO, J.)

Rule.

2. Heard forthwith.

3. On behalf of the State Government, learned Counsel brings to our attention the Order dated 24-10-2007 constituting “Billing Dispute Redressal Committee”.

4. The case of the Petitioner is that he has been billed for consumption of electricity when his premises were closed. It will not be possible for this Court to go into those facts.

5. In view of the matter, it will be appropriate that the Petitioner be directed to approach the Billing Dispute Redressal Committee for whatever grievances he may have. This will be subject to the condition that the Petitioner deposits for all the previous months the average bill at the rate of Rs.360/- per month and secondly within four weeks from today to file an undertaking to this Court that he will be bound to pay whatever amount is decided by the Billing Dispute Redressal committee subject to whatever relief he is entitled in accordance with law.

6. On the Petitioner depositing the amount, work out the average bill of the Department. Respondent to restore the electricity supply.

7. Rule made absolute.

Petition disposed off.

F. I. REBELLO, J.

N. A. BRITTO, J.

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